The News of Brooklyn

CROWDS SEE THE HORSES. GOOD ATTENDANCE AT THE RIDING AND

DRIVING CLUB.

TOUNG WOMEN RIDERS WIN PRIZES-MR. NUT-TING'S EASY BLUE RIBBON-SOME OF THE PEOFLE PRESENT.

There was even a better attendance at the Horse ast night than on Tuesday evening, when the its, as a rule, were of greater popular interest, the boxes were filled, and most of the seats as with the same well-dressed crowd of fashionall with the said they sat through to the end, ap-dading in turn their fortunate friends in the ring managed to carry off the prizes. The only two interesting performances of the evening were dles and saddle contests, in which several known young women were entered. If the per ce last evening is to be taken as a criterion ooklyn equestriennes, this city is well favored women who take to horseback riding for



MISS CLAUDIA SHERWILL

peasure and health, or, as a "fad" of fashion, as may be. They were not all good riders, to be sure, but there were some among them whose tp won merited applause, and showed the it of careful training. In the saddle contest, Miss Ethel Moore, daughter of Charles A. Moore, carried off the honors, with Charles Van Nostrand's Blue Point. Miss Amy Bowers, on her own by Bige Point, aliss Amy Bowers, on her own itry, and Miss Adelaide Doremus with Chester, re close contestants. The judges had difficulty in iding, and chose more on points than they did a the respective merits of horsemanship. The other riders were Miss Ethel Candee, Miss Cameron

ROADSTERS TO HARNESS.

In the first contest there were four entries for the at redsters driven to harness. Orange Blossom, by selding, owned by William M. V. Hoffman, the first prize of \$50; E. T. Bedford's mare, ide, the second prize, of \$25, and E. H. lands chestnut mare, Trix, was third. HIGH-STEPPERS JUDGED.

high-stepper class, driven to four-wheeled the the trumpet sounded for their appearance. The prizes were \$50 and \$25 respectively. Hamilton \$5 falmon's browns, Highflyer and King Sapphire,



PRESIDENT WILLIAM N. DYKMAN.

took first money; P. W. Rouss, with his chestnut seldings, High Roller and Reuben, and Raymond Hoagland's browns, Le Grand and King Oscar, fol-

In the saddle class, Gray Eagle, owned by W. A. Jamison; C. W. Seaman's Bonaparte and J. H. Walbridge's Kentuck finished the contest in the order named. The prizes were \$50 and \$25. There were six entries in this class.

MR. NUTTING WAS ALONE.

In the horses in harness class driven to runabouts there were three entries, but A. J. Nutting, driving there were three entries, but A. J. Nutting, driving title Duke and Holly, had the melancholy honor of exhibiting alone in the ring. The contest was brief; Mr. Nutting drove out with the blue ribbon. Eaght stylish cobs, driven to open road buggles, appeared for the next contest. The conditions for this event were for many

event were for mares or geldings to be shown by club members only. There was but one prize of \$25. A. J. Nutting's brown gelding Holly, driven by J. H. Shults, Jr., was awarded the blue. Raymond Heag-land's house as a warded the blue. land's brown gelding, Booth, was second, and P. N. Sproule's bay mare, Nora, third.

MODESTY WINS THE JUMPING CONTEST. The hurdle race, which was the last, was the most interesting of the evening. There were six successive jumps, none of which were to exceed 3 feet 6 incaes in height, and the horses were all ridden by wamen. The prize, \$25, was won by Miss Piris, was the prize of the water of the wat Piria, who rede the chestnut mare Modesty. Miss Ethel Candee, who rode G. Herbert Potter's bay selding, came in second, and Miss Ethel Moore, who rode Theodoro F. Miller's brown gelding, the rode of the third third the contest was so does that thise trials were necessary before the decision could be rendered.

those present were General Ruger and hi om Governor's Island, Mayor Wurster, Mr.

Thomas F. Noyes, Mr. and Mrs. F. B.

Mr. and Mrs. Desmond Dunn, Dr. and Mrs.
Cochran, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Middleton, Mr.

Edwin Packard, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Kalbfielsch, Mr. and

Mrs. Thomas S.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Kalbfielsch, Mr. and R. A. Lattin, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Erhart, Mr. and Mrs. John Gibb, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shultz, jr., and Mrs. Clinton Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. H. cetland, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Dykman, Mr. and Returned Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Dykman, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Goodrich, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Woodne, Mr. and Mrs. Almet F. Jenks, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton W. Rossel, Mr. and Mrs. George T. Barston, Mr. and Mrs. C. Perham, Miss Perham, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Cander, Miss Dorothy Maire, Miss Lena Muir, Miss Dorothy Maire, Miss Lena Muir, Miss Mrs. Theodore M. Tousey, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mrs. Mrs. Theodore M. Tousey, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mrs. Mayer, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mrs. Mrs. Tooker, ir., Mr. and Mrs. L. B. A. Tucker, Mrs. Mrs. Edwin Thorp, Mr. and Mrs. W. Edwin Thorp, Mr. Mrs. H. A. Tucker, Howard Gibb, Dr. and Mrs. Mrs. H. A. Tucker, Howard Gibb, Dr. and Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. And Mrs. H. A. Tucker, Howard Gibb, Dr. and Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. And Mrs. James H. Mrs. And Mrs. Sturgis Coffin and Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Mnowiton.

ANOTHER EXCISE APPOINTMENT.

May 4.—State Excise Commissioner Ly-appointed George Senn as a special agent the Raines Liquer Tax law for Brooklyn.

SIGNIFICANCE OF A TRIP TO ALBANY.

CHESTER B. LAWRENCE'S VIEW OF MAYOR WUR-STER'S PRESENCE AT THE CAPITAL.

Chester B. Lawrence, one of the leading McKin ley men in Brooklyn, said yesterday that he was greatly disappointed over the failure of the National delegates to come out for McKinley on Tues

"I think it's about time for them to get off th haps they know what they are to gain by waiting until McKinley's nomination is positively assured before they declare themselves for the Ohio candidate, but I cannot see. I still have hopes that they will join the McKinley ranks, but think they should

"The Mayor's trip to Albany to-day is significant to say the least. I do not attempt to offer an explanation, but I believe you may take that as an indication that something will happen in an exceedingly short time. I think there will be a lively scramble to get into the McKinley line before long scramble to get into the McKinley line before long, and, in my belief, the Kings County men will prove their wisdom by leading the procession from the Morton to the McKinley camp. Platt is playing a losing game at present. He is worse off every day than he was on the day before. In my opinion, he is sacrificing his prestige every day that he clings to Morton. One of the effects of his stubbornness in standing out against McKinley will be that he will lose much power in the State, and will be utterly unable to prevent the nomination of Lieutenant-Governor Saxton for Governor. One of the results of McKinley's nomination at St. Louis in the face of Platt's opposition will be the choice of Mr. Sāxton by the Republicans of this State as their candidate for Governor.

for Governor.

"Mr. Platt is daily growing more desperate. If he could by any means transfer himself to the winning side, he would respond most readily to any offer made to him, no matter how small or insignificant it might be."

THE TROLLEY PEOPLE REACHING OUT.

THEY INSPECT THE ROCKAWAY BEACH RAIL ROAD TO CARNARSIE AND MAY LEASE IT.

President Clinton L. Rossiter, of the Brookly Heights Railroad Company: Daniel F. Lewis Seth L. Keeney, John G. Jenkins and Messrs, McCor mick and Frothingham, all of whom are connected in one way or another with the Heights Company, most of them being directors, went over the Brooklyn and Rockaway Beach Railroad Company yesterday in a special car on a tour of inspection Because of this it was reported in railroad circles yesterday that negotiations were in progress for the leasing of the Canarsie road to the Brooklyn Heights Company. It is believed that in a fe days there will be a conference between the offi-cers of both roads, when the final preparations will e made and the whole affair settled. If the Heights Company should assume control of the Canarsie

Company should assume control of the Canarsie road, the latter would undoubtedly be equipped with a trolley and become a part of the Brooklyn Heights system. John G. Jenkins, when asked what it all meant, said:
"Some of the directors of the Brooklyn Heights road went over the Canarsie route to try and learn what condition it was in. The tracks look to me to be in good condition, but the cars do not amount to much. They would be useless to us, as, if we should lease the road we would certainly adopt the trolley system. The idea would be to take ninety-nine years' lease of the property, and pay a small amount a year to the Canarsie people. They own a great deal of land around the road, but they cannot expect to compete with the Nassau people, who can run trolley cars over the same route for a much less sum."

Mr. Jenkins said that the Heights Company had not taken any definite steps up to date.

A NIGHT OF NEW-ENGLAND MUSIC.

AN INTERESTING PROGRAMME OF SINGING AND SPEAKING.

The May meeting of the New-England Society of Brooklyn was held in the galleries of the Art Building, in Montague-st., last night. The programme was entitled "An Evening of Music in New-Enginterpreted by Misses Ethel A. Chamberlai and Lillie H. Story, sopranos; Mrs. Hamlen-Ruland and Miss Anna B. Bush, contraltos, and the Dudley Buck Male Quartet. The quartet included H. E. Distelhurst, first tenor; Charles S. Phillips, second tenor; Everett S. Swalm, first bass, and Frederic Reddall, second bass. John Hyatt Brewer was the musical director. General Stewart L. Woodford, president of the society, in his introductory, said:

"This is the first attempt of this society to have a and-half meeting-a meeting made up of the the audience before me, it must be pronounced a great success. Not very long ago, it was proposed in our society to strike the word 'male' from the constitution, and thus make women eligible to membership, but the extremely conservative element of our membership, some of whom are no doubt here to-night, prevented the proposition from being carried to a successful termination. After this meeting, I feel sure that the conservatives will be swept away and that there will be a consolidation of men and women in this society. And I want to announce now that the next meeting will be held in a place yet to be secured, but which will be commodious enough to contain not only the members of this society but their wives, their daughters, their sweethearts, their

contain not only the members of this society but their wives, their daughters, their sweethearts, their cousins and their aunts, and where the members will have an opportunity to get a square meal and the feminine members of each family be able to know the exact condition of their husbands and brothers when they leave the banquet room."

The general concluded by remarking that if he longer deferred the musical part of the entertainment, he might not be regarded as great a lover of poetry and song as he really was.

Frederic Reddail then briefly sketched the rise of music in New-England, and a choir of mixed volces rendered the familiar hymn, "Before Jehovah's Awful Throne." This was followed by "Strike the Cymbal," as it was sung a century ago. The phraseology of the first stanza will give some idea of the quaintness of the famous old hymn:

Strike the cymbal, roll the tymbal, Let the trump of triumph sound; Powerful singing, headlong bringing Proud Gollath to the ground.

Mr. Reddail continued his sketch of music, and the choir then sang "Over the Mountain Wave," by George Lunt, music by White.

The next number, Mrs. Hemans's "Song of the Landing," was given by the Dudley Buck quartet. The "Mountainner's Farewell," by a choir of mixed volces was heartily applauded, and repeated. Below are the words:

I have come from the mountains of the old Granite State, Where the hills are so lofty, magnificent and great, I have left kindred spirits in the land of the blest, When I bade them adieu for the far distant West; Oh, thy mountain oh, thy valleys in my own native State.

Oh, thy bills and thy valleys are sacred to me.

No matter what in lands of others I may see.
I may view scenes as sunny, as fair and as smooth,
Then I'll think of my cottage that stands in the grove.
Oh, my childhood oh, that homestead in my own native
State.

A collation followed the concert.

PROTESTING AGAINST CHANGES. RESIDENTS OF CLINTON AND WASHINGTON

AVES. WANT THE NAMES RETAINED. The special Aldermanic committee on renaming of city streets with duplicate names met last night in the City Hall and listened to arguments against changing the names of Clinton and Washington aves. Alderman Guilfoyle presided. A petition urging the committee not to change the name of Clin-ton-ave., and signed by fifty-four well-known residents, was read by the clerk. Philip A. Sawyer then made an address, in which he said that memo ries of Clinton-ave. lingered in many minds far away from Brooklyn. A well-known writer, he continued, had immortalized it through a descriptive

tinued, had immortalized it through a descriptive article printed in a prominent magazine. "Between Clinfologion-sandandWashington-ave.," said Mr. Sawyer, "I thin' the most fitting should stay. I represent not only the younger element, but those who have lived on the avenue for fifty years. Their sons have grown up and have built their houses there. Once have you was good approach to permit there. Once before you were good enough to permit the name to remain, and we hope you will do it

Benjamin Van Nostrand, another resident of Clinton-ave., spoke against giving the thoroughfare a

ton-ave., spoke against giving the thoroughlars and mame.

When the Washington-ave, case was taken up Marshall G. Driggs was the first to be heard. Mr. Driggs made a strong appeal to the committee and urged them not to obliterate Washington-ave, from the city directory. The other four streets which bore the name of the first President he believed to be insignificant. Francis Bates, H. W. Wheeler, S. B. Sturgees and J. A. Davies were among others who spoke adversely toward renaming Washington-

There was no one present to protest against the re-naming of Crescent-st. The chairman asked if any one present had any suggestions to make. One man said the name of Washington-st. should be changed to Federal-st.

HE SAW THE GOVERNOR. TO DEFEAT THE ICE TRUST.

MAYOR WURSTER MADE A HURRJED TRIP TO ALBANY.

NO EXPLANATION OF HIS VISIT LEFT, BUT THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO THINK THEY KNOW WHY IT WAS MADE - MORE

PHASES OF THE FIGHT. Mayor Wurster quietly slipped out of town yes

erday, leaving his private secretary, Wilbur M. Palmer, in total ignorance as to the object of his sudden journey and the place he intended to visit. Early in the afternoon, however, it became known that he had gone to Albany and had been received by Governor Morton, with whom he had a brief private interview. The most careful inquiry at the falled to disclose the purpose of the trip to Albany, but the conclusion was straightway drawn by persens who had heard of the developments at the meeting of St. Louis delegates on the night before that the Mayor's trip was made necessary by cer-tain things that had been said or done at the meeting of delegates. It was the accepted opinion that the Mayor had been delegated to visit the Governor and break to him as gently as possible the news of the defection in Kings County. many reasons it was asserted the Mayor would be the most fitting messenger to visit the Governor

It was in accordance with Mayor Wurster's advice and entreaties that the eight delegates decided or from the Morton to the McKinley column. The Mayor's reasons for delaying the McKinley maniferrate the McKinley maniferrat festo are not known to the public, but it is inferred that he demanded a postponement until he could have a personal interview with the Governor. MORE DEVELOPMENTS COMING.

The Tribune was informed yesterday by one of other in rapid succession throughout the week, and that another conference might be expected within a day or two. Mayor Wurster has now had an op-portunity to have his talk with the Governor, and is not expected to withhold his consent longer. story that Commissioner Theodore B. Willis sought delay has been authoritatively denied. It is well known that Mr. Willis is a close friend of ex-President Harrison, and the theory was advanced that he refused to come out for McKinley on Tuesday night because he wishes first to see what would happen in the Indiana State Convention. One of the persons who knows exactly what took place at the conference told a Tribune reporter in the mos positive terms that no consideration of this kind on the part of Mr. Willis had delayed the action.

The Tribune said yesterday that Walter B. Atter bury, Ernest J. Kaltenbach, George H. Roberts, jr. and Timothy L. Woodruff had expressed their will ingness to declare for McKinley on Tuesday night and that the four other delegates who attended the conference, while offering no opposition to McKinley, had counselled delay. The four other delegates were Granville W. Harman, Mayor Wurster, Joseph

R. Clark and Theodore B. Willis. Register Harman is ready to join the McKinley ranks, and will probably do so at the next opportunity.

Mr. Harman is no less friendly to Senator Allison than he ever was, but he has declared his intention to vote as his constituents wish, which practically means that he will vote for McKinley on the first ballot. WOODRUFF "VERY STILL" FOR MORTON.

The friends of Park Commissioner Woodruff were somewhat surprised yesterday to hear that he ha oon declare openly for him. Mr. Woodruff is soon declare openly for him. Mr. Woodruff is known to be a McKinley man at heart, but it was not supposed that he would care to desert Governor Morton as long as the Governor was in the field. Mr. Woodruff wants to be Lieutenant-Governor of the State and has been influenced to believe that in order to secure the nomination he must not incur the enmity of Mr. Platt. He has, therefore, been slow to declare himself in favor of Major McKinley. It is pointed out, however, that things have been so arranged that the Park Commissioner can be "let down easy" in such a way that the Morton ranks would lose nothing of any great value to them by Mr. Woodruff's voting for McKinley in company with his colleagues, while at the same time the Park Commissioner would remain true to his constituents on the Park Slope by voting for their favorite.

for publication in regard to his attitude. He has been talked with frequently, and in the only reply which he has made to the queries of reporters he expressed his position in only two words.

"Are you still for Morton?" he was asked by a Tribune reporter after the Tuesday night conference.

"Very still," replied Mr. Woodruff with a smile,

TO PREACH TO WHEELMEN.

WAGON OF THE CITY MISSION ON ITS SUMMER TOUR.

Many Brooklyn churches are now catering to the wheelmen and wheelwomen, and the Brooklyn City Mission and Tract Society is not behind the others. The cyclists will go on two wheels, and the Gospel will be sent after them on four wheels. With this inserted in Chapter 583 of the Laws of 1888. The end in view Dr. Le Lacheur has asked that the chil-dren of the Sunday-schools unite and assume the

CONSUMERS ARE LOOKING TO BUFFALO FOR A CHEAPER SUPPLY.

ACTION TO BE CONSIDERED AT A MEETING OF MERCHANTS TO-MORROW NIGHT.

The merchants of Brooklyn who use large quantities of ice are thoroughly aroused over the rumors of further advances in prices. Brooklyn Retail Butchers' Association has been much affected by the prices demanded by the Consolidated Ice Companies. Many are looking toward Buffalo for ice.

At a meeting of the New-York Retail Butchers Association held in New-York recently, a committee from the Brooklyn association was present. The committee included Richard Millerman, J. A. Hilken and James Moore. Mr. Hilken has a store at Wilson-st. and Lee-ave. When seen last night he said that a meeting of the Brooklyn Retail Butchers' Association would be held on Friday night. The ice question will then be fully discussed. In regard to getting it from Buffalo Mr. Hilken said:

"A communication from Buffalo was read at a meeting of the New-York Butchers' Association. This communication stated that ice would be shipped to New-York and this city at a cost of 12 to 14 cents a hundred pounds. But the question is, would every member be in favor of such a move? would every member be in favor of such a move? It would not pay for only a few of us to have the ice shipped from Buffalo. The ice would have to be shipped by five or ten carloads at a time. Nearly every butcher consumes semething like two or three tons of ice every week. I use from three to five tons, and since the price has been increased I have been forced to close one of my boxes. I have been paying 12½ cents a hundred, but now I must pay 25 cents. The ice company will not make any contracts with the retail butchers, so the prospects are that when the warm weather comes ice will cost from 35 to 40 cents a hundred."

"Many confectioners and grocers favor the idea

"Many confectioners and grocers favor the idea of getting the ice from Buffalo. However, at the meeting on Friday night, the question will be thoroughly discussed."

ROSENBERG'S WIFE WAS IN TIME.

SHE PREVENTED A WEDDING IN ENGLAND AND ANOTHER IN BROOKLYN.

Jacob Rosenberg, a Hebrew tailor working a No. 523 Rockaway-ave., was arrested yesterday by Detective Short, of the Charities Department on a harge of abandoning his wife. The couple were married in a Russian village in 1891. For six months, so Mrs. Rosenberg says, the connubial horizon was as serene as a milipond on a still day. Then stormeloud appeared. Rosenberg disappeared. Mrs. Rosenberg found him in London just in time to prevent Rosenberg committing bigamy. He was about to marry an English girl, but his wife would not have it that way. In fact she objected so strenously that Rosenberg left England, wife and maid,

Several months ago Mrs. Rosenberg, who possesse a largely developed Sherlock Holmes instinct, arrived in Brooklyn and continued her search. A few lays ago she stumbled against a clew which led her Rockaway-ave, shop and was just in time o stop another intended marriage.

vociferated in polyglot; Rosenberg himself trembled, white with fear. Then the other tailors and tailoresses gathered around and the buzz which

tailoresses gathered around and the buzz which came attracted a motley crowd, which jabbered and babbled like a crowd of magpies.

Afterward Judge Harriman took a hand, and Rosenberg will be examined at a later day. When Mrs. Rosenberg learned after the arrest that her husband would have been married long ago if his prospective wife had had more money to begin housekeeping with, her contempt for her husband broke out afresh.

THE BRUSH BILL HEARING.

CONSIDERABLE OPPOSITION EXPECTED FROM SALOON MEN-PURPOSE OF THE MEASURE EXPLAINED.

Considerable interest has been stirred up in refer ence to the hearing which will be given by Mayor Wurster to-morrow morning on what is known the Brush bill. It is a bill which amends the build ing law relating to Brooklyn, and its passage was secured by the efforts of Senator Brush, who introduced it in the upper house. In the Legislature PREPARATIONS FOR SENDING THE GOSPEL | the bill aroused no opposition, as its true character does not appear to have been generally understood While an amendment to the building law, it has an important bearing on the operation of the Raines liquor law, or at least on the attempts to evade its enforcement in so far as it forbids the sale of liquor on the first day of the week.

The amendment consists of four words w



THE GOSPEL TEAM.

will follow. The expense will be \$350 for the sea-

Last summer the mission ran four of these Gospel Last summer the mission ran four of these Gospei wagons, and visited the districts of Williamsburg, Greenpoint, South Brooklyn, East New-York and Brooklyn proper. Gospel services were held from these wagons in June, July and August, in all seventy-four; they were attended by more than 20,000 people. Of this number it is assumed by the officers that 15,000 were not in the habit of attending church at all

people. Of this number it is a properly that 15,000 were not in the habit of attending church at all.

A great many of the churches of Brooklyn are interested in this Gospel wagon. Among those which last year contributed to the cause are the Manhattan Avenue Baptist Church, the Williams Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, the St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal, the Warren Street Methodist Episcopal, Tabernacle Baptist, the Hanson Place Baptist and Pilgrim Gospel (Congregationalist).

Some of the churches are making arrangements to check the bicycles, but in the Gospel wagon services there will be no occasion for this. All that the wheelmen will have to do will be to dismount and stand by his silent steed. It will be advisable for the Brooklyn City Mission, however, to secure fascinating preachers.

The churches have recognized the class of good citizens who maintain that Sunday is a day of rest from the labors of the week, and accorded to the man who bends over his ledger, in the close air of a city office, six days of the week the right to see nature and enjoy fresh air on Sunday. These Gospel wagons will this summer go down the favorite driveways of the wheelmen, and with song and word tell him the way to live.

ASTRONOMERS ELECT OFFICERS.

The members of the department of astronomy of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences their annual meeting at the Art Institute Tuesday evening. The following officers were re-elected for the coming year: President, Garret P. Serviss; vicepresident, Arthur Perry; secretary, James P. Hail; ibrarian, B. G. Way.

Mr. Hall advocated the forming of a new section on current astronomical news and other astronomical matters of timely discussion. Several papers were read.

William F. Sebert presented the subject, "Some William F. Sebert presented the subject, "Some Obscure Companions of Binary Stars." Wallace Gould Levison spoke upon "The Electrical Theory of Comets." Miss Mott had for her subject, "The Spots on Saturn." Henry M. Parker treated "Variable Stars."

support of one of these Gospel wagons during the after occupied for use as, or hereafter erected or support of one of these toospel wages and the summer. The Sunday-school at Gravesend has been altered to be used in whole or in part as a hotel, heard from, and it is hoped and expected that others theatre, hospital, asylum or institution for the care and treatment of persons, the height of which ex-ceeds thirty-five feet . . . shall be built fireproof," etc. A city official who is familiar with the sub-ject and with the circumstances under which the bill was passed made this explanation concerning it yesterday:

"In my opinion the amendment is a thoroughly good one, and I believe that Mayor Wurster should give his approval to the measure. The Brooklyn building law as it stands is more rigid than that in New-York City, for the reason that it prevents alterations in buildings which it is designed to use as hotels in order to escape the provision of the Raines law. The words 'or altered' are not to be found in the New-York law. Being in the Brooklyn law, they give the Building Department power to interfere in case alterations are proposed in build ings more than thirty-five feet in height, for under this law all such buildings have to be made fireproof. I do not suppose there was any idea in the minds of the men who framed this law as it stands that it would ever be used to prevent the sale of liquor on Sundays by interfering with the muitiplication of hotels. In fact, there could not have

cation of hotels. In fact, there could not have been.

"Now the law forbids the erection or alteration of any building above the height named as a hotel, theatre, hospital, etc. But it does not forbid the use of such a building for any of these purposes provided no alterations are made in it. Take, for example, an old office building which some one proposes to convert lato a hotel. If he makes any alterations in it he will be compelled to make it fireproof. But if he chooses to use it just as it stands he can do so with impunity. It is this obvious defect in the law which the amendment in question is designed to remedy.

"I understand that in certain parts of the city a considerable number of cheap frame houses have been converted into private hospitals or sanitariums. Such enterprises are profitable to the physicians who undertake them, and the number of these institutions that have sprung up in the last few years is not small. Now after they have undergone options that have sprung up in the last few years is not small. Now after they have undergone options that have sprung up in the last few years is not small. Now after they have undergone options that have sprung up in the last few years it in the public of the public of these in them for days or weeks in a helpless condition, and wholly without adequate protection in case of fire. It was on account of these establishments, as I it was on account of these establishments, as I in the physician, introduced this bill and pushed it through physician, introduced this bill and pushed it through

the Legislature. That it has a bearing on the Raines law is merely incidental. The purpose of the bill is entirely good, and I hope that it will become a

entirely good, and I hole the law."

It is understood that strong opposition to the approval of the bill by the Mayor will be made at the hearing to-morrow. It is important, therefore, that those who appreciate its merits should be on hand to advocate favorable action on it. The opposition will come from liquor-sellers who wish to turn their saloons into hotels without making alterations in the buildings which they occupy.

ORGANIZING FOR M'KINLEY

GRATIFICATION OVER THE RESULT OF TUESDAY NIGHT'S MEETING.

A LARGE NUMBER OF NAMES HANDED IN AND

THE COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON. The organizers of the McKinley movement in Brooklyn were highly gratified over the enthusiastic turnout of McKinley men at the meeting

called on Tuesday evening to take the first steps toward the formation of a branch of the Mc-Kinley League of the State of New-York in Brooklyn. Thomas Fitchle, former Supervisor-at-Large, the leader of the historic 109 in the State Convention, has worked hard since the convention

getting the McKinley column into line. Invitations to the Tuesday evening meeting were given out only to the State delegates who had voted against Thomas C. Platt and Edward Lauterbach as delegates-at-large, but nearly every delegate who attended the meeting brought along several enthusiastic McKinley friends, and the attendance was consequently larger than had been ex-Mr. Fitchie was especially pleased yesterday

that so many representative men and earnest enthusiastic party-workers had attended the meeting. He said that the personnel of the meeting was only another indication of the great strength of the McKinley movement among all classes of voters. Dozens of McKinley enthusiasts could have been added in each Assembly district if time and opportunity had been allowed, but names enough were secured to give Mr. Fitchie a wide choice in his selection of active and energetic members of the Committee on Organization. The following names were among those handed in: Andrew Jacobs, Ernest Jahn, Pascal Rouget, George W. Walling, Frank

J. Partridge, J. J. Casey, C. J. Teehan, Chester B. Lawrence, Charles H. Dutcher, Senator George W. Brush, Z. F. Barnes, Oscar Knapp, Stephen B. Jacobs, Joseph Enderlin, R. J. Shadbolt, John A. Goetz, Thomas H. Wienhold, Major Thomas Bell, John J. McGinniss, William Stone, Colonel H. H. Beadle, Thomas McNamara, John P. Hurley, Nicholas Demarest, Jesse Johnson, ex-Mayor Schieren, ex-Judge George G. Reynolds, John L. Bader, J. J. Harrington, Reuben H. Underhill, Charles A. Moore, John G. Turnbull, Alderman F. W. Singleton, John Lefferts, Jr., City Auditor John R. Sutton, R. A. Breckenridge, Frank Squier, William J. Marshall, S. L. Woodhouse, Major George A. Price, Henry C. Fisher, Andrew Turnbull, John D. Post, Assemblyman E. C. Brennan, Charles T. White, Judge D. G. Harriman, Walter B. Atterbury, Henry B. Haigh, J. H. Grinnell, Lorrin Andrews, Alderman Adam Leich, Andrew R. Baird, E. L. Steller, Ley L. Leither, March 2018, 1981. Stephen B. Jacobs, Joseph Enderlin, R. J. Shad-Haigh, J. H. Grinnell, Lorrin Andrews, Alderman Adam Leich, Andrew R. Baird, E. L. Striker, Jacob D. Ackerman, Congressman Francis H. Wilson, T. G. Christmas, ex-Judge Jacob D. Remson, Alderman John F. Oitrogge, Alderman Henry Vollmer, Adolph Klendl and H. D. Twenty-third Ward was apparently a hot-

The Twenty-third Ward was apparently a hotbed of McKinleyism, and after a number of names had been given Alderman Leich added that "the balance of the Twenty-third Ward" might be added without fear of contradiction. Assemblyman Brennan, who was scretary of the meeting, prepared yesterday a corrected list of the names taken in. He will give this list to Mr. Fitchie this morning, and the members of the Committee on Organization will be selected within a day or two. Arrangements will be rapidly completed, and the league will be in working order by the end of next week, it is expected.

GATHERED ABOUT THE TOWN.

W. W. Howard, an Armenian traveller, and a member of the New-York Canoe Club, delivered a lecture on "Armenia" at Scholler's Hall, Bath

At the funeral of Alderman John Jacob Schlusser, of the Eleventh Ward, to-day, it is expected that a large number of well-known Republicans will be present. On Tuesday night the Executive Commitpointed Messrs. Deubert, Roberts and Leaycraft to prepare resolutions of respect.

William Meyer, a grocer's clerk out of work and William Meyer, a grocer's cierk out of work and despondent, shot himself on Tuesday night near the picnic grounds in Prospect Park. A letter of recom-mendation, signed by William H. Leeker, of No. 166 South Fourth-st., together with two pawn tickets, was found in the young man's pockets.

A large audience gathered at Association Hall last night to listen to "Judge" William Greene in a varied programme. Mr. Greene was aided by his daughter Grace, William B. Vernan and Harry C. Edwards, who presented the comedietta "My Uncle's Will." There was vocal music by the Amphion Ladies' Quartet, instrumental music by the Ama-ranth Banjo Club, harp playing by Vincent Fenelli, a young Italian boy, and impersonations by Viva Cummins. Delegations were present from Orion Lodge of Freemasons, Fulton Council, Royal Ar-canum; the Elks, the Schnorer Club, Tilden Club of the Twenty-eighth Ward, Twenty-third Ward Democratic Club and the Brooklyn Bicycle Club. occasion was Mr. Greene's annual concert which has never failed to prove delightful to his

WHAT IS GOING ON TO-DAY IN BROOKLYN. Meeting of the Society of Old Brooklynites, even

Memorial meeting in commemoration of the life and services of the late General John B. Woodward, Church of Our Saviour, Pierrepont-st., evening.

Creedmoor practice, 14th Regiment. Rev. Samuel H. Virgin, "Criticism of Christ, Bushwick Avenue Congregational Church, evening. Meeting Chiropean Society, Knapp Mansion, Bed-ford-ave., evening.

COLORED REPUBLICANS CLASH.

A MEETING ANNOUNCED TO BE HELD IN CHURCH IS POSTPONED.

There is a quarrel among the colored Republicans of Brooklyn. A. C. Cowan, a legal light of the colored fraternity, and president of the Colored Republican Association of the State of New-York, is a

prominent figure in the difficulty.

The trouble began about a week ago. At a meeting of the regular colored Republican organization in Brooklyn, known as the Organization of Colored Republicans of Kings County, held at Fleet Street African Methodist Episcopal Church, Cowan stated that, on the following Wednesday, a meeting would be held at the instigation of the Colored Republican organization of the State for the purpose of furorganization of the State for the purpose of fur-thering the nomination of McKinley for President, and for the perfecting of an independent ticket for the colored voters of Kings County. This was a bombshell to the regulars, and they set about to th wart his plan.

When Cowan and his followers arrived at the When Cowan and his followers arrived at the church last night, the sexton refused to open the doors. He said that a majority of the trustees had decided not to allow the building to be used for the meeting. It seems that Cowan had issued circulars containing an announcement of the meeting without consulting them about the use of the building. Cowan stated to a reporter that the reason the meeting was not held was because of a slight misunderstanding with the officers of the church. He stated that the meeting would be held on next Wednesday evening at Johnston Hall, at Fulton and Nevins sts.

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W. R. Lawton, president of the local colored organization, and the recognized colored leader in Brooklyn, whose name appears on the circular issued for the call of the meeting, said that he had nothing whatever to do with the meeting, and that Cowan had used als name without authority.

The Rev. J. Harris Accoor, also a member of the local organization, and who is acting as pastor of the Ficet-st. church during the absence of their regular pastor, Dr. William F. Coffey, who is attending the general conference of his Church at Wilmington, N. C., said that the regular organization had nothing to do with the meeting. The church trustees were angry, he intimated, because the notices were issued without obtaining their consent for the use of the building.

About 9:39 p. m. Mr. Cowan and his followers left the front of the church, thoroughly disgusted.

MAY GO IN TWO SECTIONS.

BROOKLYN'S ST. LOUIS DELEGATION NOS LIKELY TO TRAVEL IN A BODY.

It seems probable that Brooklyn will send two

expeditions to the St. Louis Convention by different routes. At the meeting of the delegates at the Union League Club on Tuesday night representatives were present from the Baltin and Ohio, the Pennsylvania and the New-York Central railroads. David P. Watkins, representing the Baltimore and Ohio, made a strong bid for the contract to take the delegation, but the inducements offered by Messrs, Smith and Davis, of the Pennsylvania road, proved more alluring, and a majority of the delegates and alternates favored giving the contract to the Pennsylvania road. "Commodore" Watkins said yesterday afternoon, however, that he expected to form a party which would include most of the Worth-Buttling visitors to the convention He said that Controller Palmer, ex-Senator Jacob Worth, County Clerk Henry C. Saffen and several other prominent Worth men had already given their names to him, and that they would probably take the trip by themselves, regardles of any arrangement made by the administration men, who constitute the majority of the Brooklyn visitors to St. Louis. Mr. Watkins said he had not spoken to Alderman Clark, and did not know whether he would go with the Worth men or with the Willis men. Mr. Watkins's party will probably leave Brooklyn in the

afternoon or early in the evening of Saturday,
June 13.

The party to go over the Pennsylvania road
will include Mayor Wurster, Commissioner Willis, Register Harman, Commissioner Woodruft,
Walter B. Atterbury, Ernest J. Kaitenbach,
George H. Roberts, Jr.; the administration alternates, including Congressman Hurley and
Jacob Brenner; William Berri, St. Clair McKelway, Congressman Francis H. Wilson, Charles
A. Moore and three newspaper reporters. Edward H. Schleuter and Henry Fischer, the contestants in the VIth District, will also be members of the party, but, it is said, they will not
go with the intention of contesting the seats of
Controller Palmer and County Clerk Saffen.

The attempt of several of the delegates to
make people believe that at the three-hour session on Tuesday evening the only question dicussed was transportation and hotel accommodations was laughed at yesterday by every one
who heard the story. It was said that if this
was really the case the delegates were exceedingly particular regarding the details of the trip.
Arrangements for the stay in St. Louis have not
been fully completed. Mr. Platt has announced
that the entire New-York delegation would be
provided for at the Southern Hotel, but in view
of the present revolt against Mr. Platt and his
candidate many of the Brooklyn men are inclined to believe that they should decline this
offer of Mr. Platt's hospitality, and other arrangements will be made by the Willis delegates.

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The administration party will probably leave
Jersey City at 2 o'clock p. m. on Saturday, June
13. on the St. Louis express. The train is scheduled to reach St. Louis at 7 o'clock on Sunday,

RALPH T. COOK MISSING.

A REAL ESTATE DEALER WHOSE ABSENCE HAS AROUSED BUSINESS MEN'S APPREHENSIONS.

Ralph T. Cook, a real estate dealer, whose last place of business was in Franklin-ave., near Fultonst., has not been seen at his office for several days, and it is believed by some people with whom he has business transactions that he will not soon be found, business transactions that he win not soon be form. The office lately occupied by Cook has in it only a safe, which has the name of Gordon & Jeffrey on the front door. The same name appears, too, on a sign over the door, and under the name in smaller letters are "Real estate. Money loaned." The office has a "to lett" sign in the window, and inquiry of the agent, Frank H. Tyler, at No. List. Futton-st., showed that Cook had bought out the firm of Gordon & Jeffrey some time last month. little more than a week ago." said Mr. Tyler, "a lady came into my office and complained that she was unable to get the rent on a house which Cook had rented for her. She stated that the lessee had paid the rent to Cook and held his receipt, but she could not find him." Since that time he had heard that Cook had passed worthless checks and suggested that the restaurant-keeper and saloonkeeper near the corner might be able to give some information about the checks. Inquiry of these men showed that they had each cashed small checks for Cook and that the checks had been returned unpaid by a local bank upon which they were drawn. It is reported that many of Cook's business friends and the tradesmen with whom he dealt have taken small checks upon which payment was refused.

The missing man was popular socially. The office lately occupied by Cook has in it only a

FUNERAL COMMISSIONS IN DISPUTE.

A SEXTON'S SUIT AGAINST AN UNDI

George Sterrett, the sexton of the Washington Avenue Baptist Church, at Washington and Gates aves., was the plaintiff in an action against William H. Homan, an undertaker, whose place of business is in Fulton-st., near Clermont-ave. The action was is in Fulton-st., near Clermont-ave. The action was placed on trial in the Supreme Court before Justice Smith yesterday. The plaintiff had been sexton of the church for many years. He alleges that on July 15, 1880, he made an agreement with the defendant whereby he allowed him to put two of his signs on the church building, in consideration of which Homan was to pay him half of all he received from funerals of members of the church. He says that the defendant pald him some money, but that for many years he has not received a cent, although the defendant has conducted funerals. The contract was terminated by a written notice from plaintiff on April 13, 1894.

The defendant says that he has carried out the terms of any contract which he made. He says that the contract was without consideration, and that, if the plaintiff had any claim against him, it was outlawed some time ago, and he cannot collect it. The trial was continued.

NO MORE UNITED STATES PRISONERS.

CROW HILL OFFICIALS AFFECTED BY THE WIL

COX LAW. No more United States prisoners will be housed no more United States placed by the Kings County Penlitentiary, on Crow Hill, save those convicted in New-York State. This matter was discussed yesterday by the members of the Board of Charities and Correction in their Elm Place offices. There is a clause which provides for this change in the Wilcox Prison bill, recently signed by Governor Morton. Accordingly, the United States Government authorities were informed, and after January 1 next no Government convicts outside of New-York State will be received at the Penitentiary. The Wilcox law abolishes what is known as the "farming out" system, and prevents prison authorities using convicts for any purpose other than work for public buildings, etc. At present there are several hundred United States prisoners confined in the Penitentiary.

The profit on their earnings amounts to 300,000 a year. It is said, with this revenue taken away, the ccunty will have an extra burden of \$50,000 a year. Commissioner Burtis said yesterday that he knew nothing about the new law, but had sent for certified copies. formed, and after January 1 next no Government

DOUBT ABOUT CHILD WITNESSES.

AS THOSE UNDER SEVEN CANNOT BE HELD AMENABLE FOR PERJURY, JUSTICE CLEM-

ENT RESERVES A DECISION. Testimony was taken in the Supreme Court yes-Testimony was taken in the superince terday before Justice Clement and a jury in the sufe of John Cleary against Blake & Williams, steam fitters, for \$20,000 damages for the death of his little son, Christopher. The boy was an attendant at Public School No. 107, and was killed by falling into

Public School No. 107, and was killed by falling into the cellar of the school through a doorway which the defendants, who were fitting the school with steam pipes, had left open. Robert Shaw, seven years old, one of the classmates of the little fellow, testified regarding the accident.

Justice Clement reserved his decision on the question as to whether other children who were under seven years could testify, for, if they committed seven years acould testify, for, if they committed perjury, they could not be held amenable for it. The trial will be continued to-day.

INDIAN RELICS TO BE SHOWN.

Brooklyn people are soon to have an opport Brooklyn people are soon to have an opportunity to see one of the largest and most novel collections of Indian relics in this country, and there is a fur-ther satisfaction in the thought that this valuable collection will in all probability become the property of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, and at no distant day be placed where students and

others interested in a race that will soon be only matter of history may examine it at their leisure. This collection belongs to William Wallace Tooke of Sag Harbor, N. Y., who has spent a lifetime igathering it, and who after refusing many temping offers for it has finally decided to entertain the proposition of the institute. Mr. Tooker, it is sake has spent over \$10.00 in excavating for these relictions of the proposition of the same properties.